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COUNTRY <u>Soviet Zone of Germany</u>	25X1 REPORT
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1. Ten single-engine planes, two biplanes and twenty camouflaged jet planes, some with wings that were swept back, were standing in one row on the southern edge of the Dessau (M 52/L 06) airfield on 26 May 1950. It was raining slightly, the visibility was moderate, but there was no flying.
2. Nineteen jet fighters with swept back wings, seventeen conventional fighters and two biplanes were standing on the southern edge of the field on 3 June 1950. All planes were covered with tarpaulins. The sky was clear but there was no flying. \*
3. The occupation was unchanged at 8:15 a.m. on 4 June 1950. Four jet fighters on the southern edge were not covered with tarpaulins and did not have camouflage paint. The crews prepared for the take-off.

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\* Comment. 25X1 confirm the occupation of the field by MIG-15 jets and conventional LA-9 fighters. A total of about 30 jet aircraft, and about 20 LA-9s are believed to be stationed in Dessau. 25X1 The planes are assigned to one fighter regiment.

\*\* Comment. The four jet planes probably are a tactical formation of alerted planes. 25X1

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